

**PUBLIC NOTICE TO ALL CUSTOMERS OF
TURTLE LAKE MUNICIPAL WATER UTILITY**

The Turtle Lake Municipal Water Utility has filed an application with the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSCW) to increase water rates. The increase is necessary due to increased operating expenses since the last rate increase in 1994 and two major construction projects, a new well and a new elevated tank.

If the request is granted, the increase in water rates will be implemented in two steps. The increase in Step I is estimated to be \$91,912 which will result in an increase of 39% over the water utility's present revenues. The increase in Step II is estimated to be \$47,633, an increase of 15% over the Step I revenues, and will be implemented when the new elevated tank has been completed and placed into service.

If the request is granted, the water bill for general service for an average residential customer with a ¾-inch meter who uses 7,000 gallons of water per quarter will increase from \$31.07 to \$39.55 in Step I and then to \$41.65 in Step II. When the public fire protection charge is included, the total water bill for an average residential customer will increase from \$53.97 to \$68.65 in Step I and then to \$78.70 in Step II.

A telephonic public hearing on the application has been scheduled for Tuesday, March 9, 2010, at 2:00 p.m. in the Turtle Lake Village Hall, 114 Martin Avenue East, Turtle Lake, Wisconsin. Scheduling questions regarding this hearing may be directed to the PSCW at 266-3766.

If you have any questions, please contact the Turtle Lake Municipal Water Utility at 986-2241.